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“REACTION VESSELS, A SET OF SUCH
VESSELS, AND AN IMMUNOLOGICAL
ASSAY METHOD AND APPARATUS
IMPLEMENTING SUCH SETS OF VESSELS”

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In response to the Office Action mailed November 5, 2002, please amend the application as follows. A marked-up copy of all pending claims is enclosed herewith.

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